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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

Giorgio Attardo

Group Art Unit: 1616

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For: DIOXOLANE ANALOGS FOR IMPROVED INTER-CELLULAR DELIVERY

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

Please add the Abstract attached hereto on a separate sheet.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

A' --29. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said cancer is prostate cancer, colon cancer, lung cancer, melanoma, ovarian cancer, renal cancer, breast cancer, lymphoma, pancreatic cancer or bladder cancer.

30. (Amended) A method according to claim 3, wherein said cancer is leukemia.

31. A method according to claim 1, wherein at least one of R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, or R<sub>4</sub> is piperazinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, adamantyl or quinuclidinyl.

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